(b) the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether care would be taken to maintain uniformity among the States in setting up of such institutions; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH): (a) to (d) The information is being collected.

Maintenance of roads

1977. SHRI T.R. ZELIANG: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that most of the N.E.C. roads are abandoned after completion;

(b) whether these roads will be maintained by the State Government or N.E.C.; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH): (a) to (c) NEC funded roads after completion are handed over to the State Government for maintenance and State Governments are expected to maintain them. However, NEC has been trying to assist the State Governments for maintenance of some of the NEC funded roads by providing minimum funds since 2001-02. The funds provided are only for restoration of traffic on such roads. No major repair work is envisaged.

Profits of heavy industries

†1978. SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that profit of several heavy industries has increased as a result of using new and modern technology;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.